## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 94-114-C - ORDER NO. 94-877 AUGUST 29, 1994

IN RE: Application of Quantum Communications,
Inc. for a Certificate of Public
Convenience and Necessity to Provide
Resold Telecommunications Services
in South Carolina.

ORDER
DENYING
PETITION FOR
WAIVER OF
HEARING

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) upon the Petition for Waiver of Hearing filed on behalf of Quantum Communications, Inc. (Quantum).

Quantum states that it filed its Application for Authority with the Commission on March 23, 1994. Quantum alleges that at the time it filed its Application that the practice of the Commission was not to require a hearing if there were no intervening parties in a Docket. Quantum states that while two parties, Bell South and the Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina, intervened in this Docket, both parties have subsequently withdrawn their interventions as of July 13, 1994.

The Commission has carefully considered this matter and concludes that the Petition for Waiver of Hearing must be denied. While the Commission has previously waived the hearing in some Dockets where all intervening parties have withdrawn, no Commission rule exists making such waiver mandatory or standard practice. The Commission has considered this past practice and is of the opinion that it is the better practice to fully examine an Applicant's

situation at hearing. Therefore, the Commission holds that a hearing should be held in this Docket and denies the Petition for Waiver of Hearing filed by Quantum.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Petition for Waiver of Hearing filed by Quantum is denied.
- 2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

ATTEST:

(SEAL)